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CRIMINAL LAW & PROCEDURE

US v. Marshall, No. 12-2441

Defendant's conviction for knowingly and willfully obstructing the passage of mails under 18 U.S.C. section 1701 is affirmed, where: 1) any error in the district court's instruction on the term "willfully" was harmless; 2) the government presented ample evidence for a reasonable fact-finder to conclude that defendant knowingly and willfully obstructed the delivery of mail; and 3) the magistrate judge did not abuse her discretion in granting the continuances nor did defendant suffer prejudice as a result.

CIVIL RIGHTS, CONSTITUTIONAL LAW, INJURY & TORT LAW

Cady v. Cumberland County Jail, No. 13-2040

In a 42 U.S.C. section 1983 action alleging that plaintiff's son died from self-inflicted injuries that he suffered while he was a pretrial detainee at the Cumberland County Jail (CCJ), and that the defendant-employees of a private company providing healthcare services at CCJ, were deliberately indifferent to plaintiff's son's serious medical needs in violation of his Fourteenth Amendment rights, the defendant-employees' appeal from the district court's denial of their motion for summary judgment is dismissed, where: 1) the district court's denial of qualified immunity turned on findings that there remain disputed issues of material fact and inference; and 2) there is therefore no jurisdiction over this interlocutory appeal.